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MILL VILLAGE TO HAVE MODERN CONVENIENCES

**Directors of Abbeville Cotton Mills Appropriate
Five Thousand Dollars for Waterworks and
Sewerage System—New School Building
and Assembly Hall to Be Erected at
Once—Other Improvements.**

At a meeting of the directors of the Abbeville Cotton Mills held in the offices of the company on Monday, the regular three per cent. semi-annual dividend was declared payable on July 1st. and an extra dividend of three per cent was declared payable on May 15th.

The sum of five thousand dollars was appropriated to begin work on a waterworks and sewerage system for the mill village. Every house in the village will be connected with the two plants, and modern appliances will be supplied to all houses when the plants are completed.

The sum of two thousand dollars was appropriated for the purpose of erecting a school building and assembly hall in the village, and the sum of twelve hundred dollars was appropriated to be spent in educational purposes. From this amount, a supplemental sum will be given to the amount appropriated by the trustees of the city schools, so as to employ a trained lady teacher, and with the balance a man will be employed to teach a night school and do welfare work in the village. The plan is to get a man and his wife, who are teachers, to do the work. The house formerly occupied by the superintendent of the mill will be turned over to them as a home.

The mill directors will also co-operate with young men and women seeking an education in textile institutions in order to better fit themselves for the mill work.

TOMATO CLUBS READY FOR WORK

**CANNING CLUB WORK GROWING
GIRLS DOING WELL WITH
THEIR GARDENS.**

During the last two weeks the County Agent for the Girls' Canning clubs has visited each one of her clubs and we are interested to learn that the girls are at work and are doing even better work than last year. The girls who were in the work last year are adding beans, cucumbers, peppers, and many other vegetables to their gardens. Two are trying to grow celery. Most of the girls had a part of their tomatoes in the field and all have an abundance of nice plants and a nicely prepared garden to plant them in.

The following clubs are now at work:

1. Abbeville Canning Club. 21 members. President, Mary Graydon; Vice-President, Gladys Wham; Sec'y Maude Hawthorne.
2. Anteville Canning Club. 6 members; Pres. Eunice Ferguson; Secretary, Elizabeth McCarter.
3. Cold Spring Canning Club, 8 members. Pres. Ruby Uldrick; Vice-Pres. Bertha Stone; Sec'y, Ola Winn.
4. Bethia Canning Club, 5 members. Pres. Julia Link.
5. Due West Canning Club. Six members. Pres. Belle Nance; Vice-President, Edith Todd; Secretary, Willie Caldwell.
6. Monterey Canning Club—Five members.
7. Lebanon Canning Club—Four members.
8. Donalds Canning Club—Two members.
9. Warrenton Canning Club—Two members.
10. McCormick Canning Club—Seven members. Pres., Willie Mae Furquerson; Vice-President, Martha Bell.

Of this number, 45 are trying the whole 1-10 acre, while the others are taking 25 plants along with other vegetables intending to specialize on pickles and fancy canning. In some cases the girls are not able to secure the 1-10 acre, and sometimes the agent advises smaller gardens where the girls are too small to attempt more.

TRAVELING ON THE SABBATH

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gambrell and Mr. A. M. Stone went over to Greenwood last Sabbath and took a ride around the city.

MEXICAN BANDITS RAID TEXAS TOWN

**SEVERAL AMERICANS KILLED
WHEN MEXICANS ATTACK
BORDER TOWN.**

Alpine, Texas, May 7.—Villa bandits, some seventy in number, forded the Rio Grande Friday night and sweeping fifteen miles inland on American soil, raided the little settlement of Glenn Springs and attacked a detachment of American cavalry, consisting of nine men, of Troop A, the Fourteenth cavalry.

Three troopers and a little ten year old boy were killed, two cavalymen were wounded and another is missing. He is believed to be a prisoner of the bandits who are now fleeing southward into Coahuila, Mexico.

Two American citizens, J. Deemer, and a man named Compton, according to reports received here, were carried across the Rio Grande and reports have it that their throats were cut. A posse of fifty citizens of Marathon tonight are in pursuit of the Villistas.

The missing trooper is Private Roscoe Tyree. The little boy is the son of Compton. He was deaf and dumb and bandits are thought to have killed him because he could not answer their questions.

The two wounded troopers, Privates J. Birk and Frank Defree were brought here this afternoon badly wounded. Birk's body was filled with small brass pieces of tacks fired from a shot gun. Defree was burned about the head and shoulders.

In a little adobe house, nine cavalymen made their fight for life against the seventy or more Villista bandits at Glenn Springs. A hail of shot poured for more than two hours into the single window of the adobe house but the cavalymen kept up a steady rifle fire in defiant answer. Then the Mexican leader ordered fire balls to be thrown on the roof, thickly thatched with candelaria.

Troops Made Dash.
The blazing weed tortured the soldiers below and burnt their heads and bodies. Smashing the door, the troopers broke for the open. As they ran, two were killed, one is missing and it is believed he is dead. Another was killed as he tried to climb through a window.

According to the story brought here the Mexican bandits first attacked a store and one or two houses in Boquilla, where they made Deemer and Compton prisoners and then sped 15 miles northward to make their attack on Glenn Springs which is fringed by rugged hills. At Glenn Springs they wrecked a wax factory belonging to William Ellis, his store and residence, besides one or two other small buildings.

At 5:30 Thursday evening the main body of fifty to seventy mounted

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GERMANY'S REPLY TO AMERICAN NOTE

**GERMANY SENDS HER ANSWER
TO AMERICAN ULTIMATUM ON
SUBMARINE WARFARE.**

Germany's answer to the American ultimatum has been received at Washington breaking the tension of the long wait since the United States note was delivered to the Imperial Government on April 20th. It is very likely that upon the Teutonic reply hangs the future happiness and friendliness of the two nations.

The die has been cast, the form moulded, the thrill is here and even as you read each successive word and sentence that has taken three weeks to gain, all America is engrossed in absorbing the import of each chosen word and sentence composed by the leading minds of that country across the seas.

Berlin, May 5.—Via wireless to Sayville—Following is the text of the note of the German Government in reply to the American note respecting submarine warfare, delivered on Thursday by Gottlieb von Jagow, the foreign secretary to Ambassador Gerard:

"The undersigned on behalf of the Imperial German Government has the honor to present to His Excellency, Mr. James W. Gerard, the following reply to the note of April 20, regarding the conduct of German submarine warfare.

"The German Government handed over to the proper naval authorities for early investigation the evidence concerning the Sussex as communicated by the Government of the United States. Judging by the results that the investigation has hitherto yielded the German Government is alive to the possibility that the ship following reply to the note of April 20 as having been torpedoed by a German submarine is actually identical with the Sussex.

"The German Government begs to reserve further communication on the matter until certain points are ascertained, which are of decisive importance for establishing the facts of the case. Should it turn out that the commander was wrong in assuming the vessel to be a man-of-war the German Government will not fail to draw the consequences resulting therefrom.

"In connection with the case of the Sussex the Government of the United States made a series of statements the gist of which is the assertion that the incident is to be considered but one instance of a deliberate method of indiscriminate destruction of vessels of all sorts, nationalities and destinations by German submarine commanders.

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AMERICAN MARINES IN SANTO DOMINGO.

**Force Landed From Warship to
Meet Serious Situation in
Black Republic**

Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, May 8.—In view of the serious situation here, American marines, fully equipped, were landed today on the outskirts of the city. The French armored cruiser Marsellaise arrived in port this morning.

WIRELESS TELEPHONE ORDER.

**First Oral Direction to Commander
at Sea Result of Much Effort.**

Washington, May 6.—A working system of wire and wireless communication said by army and navy experts to be unequalled by that of any other nation was effected today by the navy department as an adjunct to the preparedness programme. It was inaugurated by a wireless telephone conversation, the first of its kind ever held, during which Secretary Daniels, seated at his desk in the navy department, gave instructions to a commander on the bridge of a warship operating against a theoretical enemy far off the Virginia capes and received reports from him. Simultaneously other officials of the department were in telephone communication with all the navy yards and stations in continental United States.

TO CONNECT TROLLEY LINES.

**Surveyors Work Between Gastonia
and Spartanburg.**

Spartanburg, May 6.—It is understood here on good authority that engineers for the Piedmont & Northern lines are at work making a survey of the proposed line between Spartanburg and Gastonia, which will connect the southern and northern divisions of this line. It was the original plan to build this line immediately after the completion of the Spartanburg-Greenville-Greenwood line, but owing to the condition of the financial market at that time, it was announced that work would be delayed indefinitely.

While in Spartanburg some time ago J. B. Duke, one of the principal stockholders of the line, announced that work on the Spartanburg-Gastonia line would be commenced just as soon as traffic conditions on the other lines justified further investment on the system.

SMITH MUCH PLEASED.

Glad Nitrate Section Has Been Accepted.

Washington, May 8.—The agreement in the house late to-day on military increase bill with the amendment of Senator E. D. Smith, providing for the establishment of nitrate plants as both an agricultural and military necessity, is a signal triumph for the junior senator from the Palmetto State. Elected to congress, originally as the friend of the farmer, and acting always on lines of constructive legislation for their benefit what has been done today as a result of the initiative on the part of Senator Smith should be recognized the country over for its real value.

Asked for a statement tonight, Senator Smith said that he thought nothing necessary at the present time. The people know, he said, who started the plan in congress for the nitrate amendment to the army increase bill and now that it is safe he is satisfied.

TAKING DEGREES.

Grand High Priest George T. Bryant of Greenville was in Abbeville last Friday and conferred degrees on three Masons Friday night. After the business session a delightful supper was served the Masons by the local chapter of the U. D. C.

WELCOME VISITORS.

Mrs. L. D. Caldwell and Miss Turner of Greenwood, and Mrs. Bascomb Brogden, of Atlanta, were in Abbeville last week visiting Miss Sadie Hammond and Miss Bessie Murray. Mrs. Brogden is well remembered here as Miss Nora Hammand, and her friends were glad to see her looking so well.

AMERICA ACCEPTS BERLIN'S WORD OF CHANGED POLICY

Washington, May 8.—A note cabled by Secretary Lansing to Ambassador Gerard today for delivery to the Berlin foreign office informs the German government that the United States accepts Germany's "declaration of its abandonment" of its former submarine policy and now relies upon a scrupulous execution of the altered policy to remove the principal danger of an interruption of the good relations existing between the two countries.

With this acceptance is coupled formal notice to Germany that the United States can not for a moment entertain, much less discuss, a suggestion that respect by German naval

DESCENDANTS OF THE COVENANTERS

**OHIO CITIZEN VISITS GRAVES
OF ANCESTORS IN NEW-
BERRY COUNTY**

Newberry Herald and News.

Chalmers C. White, and wife of Steubenville, O., were visitors in Newberry on Saturday and Sunday. While here Mr. White had the privilege to visit the Head Spring, King Creek and Connor Creek graveyards going by auto through what Mr. White pronounces some of the most picturesque and fertile country he has seen in the United States. Mr. White and wife are just returning north after a winter spent in St. Petersburg, Fla. It was the desire of his mother, Mrs. Margaret Mitchell Kyle White, deceased, to visit these ancestral burying grounds, but her wish was never fulfilled so Mr. White, as a matter of duty is making it in her stead.

Mr. White on his mother's side is descended from the Boyd-Chalmers families, early pioneers in this section. The branch that went north about 1800 along with friends from Chester, S. C., were Covenanters or Reformed Presbyterians. About 1800 Rev. D. Alex McLeod of New York city visited this section and notified Covenanters who wished to remain in their communion to cease holding slaves. They did so and the Civil War saw this church which Dr. McLeod said was "not any branch, but the root of the Calvinistic church," with not a single church below Mason and Dixon's line. Other denominations four-flushed and split up North and South, says Mr. White.

Furnished Brilliant Men.
In these graveyards and one at Prosperity Mr. White found tombstone names of families whose names are used to conjure with in the Covenanter church. The Boyds and Chalmers form some of the most sturdy Covenanters in the denomination while the latter family has furnished some of the most brilliant ministers in the A. R. P. church. The Sloans furnished some of the most distinguished ministers and theological instructors in the A. R. P. church. One Sloan was a speaker on the anti-slavery platform with Wendell Phillips and Garrison. Dr. Sloan's one great regret was that Phillips and Garrison neither of whom were orthodox believers could hold the church up as the bulwark of human slavery. The Reids whose names are found in local graveyards furnished a descendant, Whitelaw Reid to be the distinguished editor of the New York Tribune and be an ambassador to England. The Renicks came of a family that furnished the last Covenanters martyr for the scaffold in Scotland. His successor had to be ordained by the Calvinistic church in Holland.

Now Only in Graveyards.
Such is the history of a people, a faith, a church represented in the South only by graveyards. That church should erect monuments in the four here and three graveyards at Chester to mark the spot where are buried a people who always stood for civil and religious liberty, who feared not the wrath of earthly kings but feared him who is Immanuel. In short the Covenanters dissented from voting, holding office, etc., because they held the United States constitution in its failure to recognize Christ as king of kings to be immortal and of an atheistic-infidel order, also because it says government is ordained of we the people when the Bible says all government is ordained of God. They hold that the Bible should be the supreme guide in governmental affairs; they will not tolerate members of secret orders in their communion and they hold to the Psalmody of Uncle David as the only manual of praise.

Mr. White has been a newspaper reporter for twenty-seven years on the Republican and Democratic papers in his city. From here he goes to Xenia and Cedarville, Ohio, where later generations of the Boyd-Chalmers and Reid families are buried. Mr. White is not a member of the Covenanter church though both his parents were once in the church and his father was a minister of the denomination, but is now in the Presbyterian church, North.

Brief Little Newsies

PRESS AND BANNER TO MOVE.

The office and composing room of The Press and Banner will be moved June 1st, from the Barnwell building to the store-room formerly occupied by the post office. The new quarters are being put in first class shape for the change. A cement floor is being laid in the entire building, and it will be equipped with all modern conveniences for a printing office.

The front part of the building will be occupied by the book-keeper and by Miss Carrie Cochran, who operates the linotype machine. People who are interested in seeing the big No. 8 Linotype in action will be able to take a view from the front, and learn just how near it comes to being human in its work.

MOTHERS' DAY TO BE OBSERVED BY METHODISTS

Mother's Day will be fittingly observed at the Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Dr. J. L. Daniel, pastor of the church, will deliver an appropriate sermon at this hour, at which time the public is earnestly urged to share in this humble tribute to the "best mother in the world." An impressive feature of the service will be the wearing of white and red roses, the white roses being worn by those whose mothers have passed into the Great Beyond, while the red roses will be worn in respect to the mothers who are yet living.

DEATH OF MR. BEAUDROT.

Mr. T. C. Beaudrot was called to Greenwood last week to see his father who was taken suddenly sick on Wednesday, and lingered until Sunday morning. Mr. Beaudrot was a man of high character and raised a family of splendid boys who are taking their places in the affairs of the towns of Greenwood and Abbeville.

The friends of Mr. T. C. Beaudrot in Abbeville sympathize with him in this loss.

VISITORS FROM DENVER.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Thomas have been in the city for the past three days visiting at the home of Judge R. E. Hill. They are on their way home from Florida to Denver and stopped for this visit. Mr. Thomas is the President of the Merchants Bank of Denver and is a man of affairs in that city. Mrs. Thomas is well known over the state having lived in Greenville and in Abbeville and was known everywhere as a beautiful and accomplished woman. She keeps her youth and her beauty and it is a pleasure to have her come to Abbeville and renew acquaintance with her old friends.

A PLEASANT PARTY.

Mrs. Frank Andrews entertained Monday night at her home on Vienna street in honor of her sister, Miss Annie Wages, of Winder, Ga., who is in the city on a visit. The time was spent in playing cards and in tripping the light fantastic toe to the strains of the Victrola. Delightful refreshments were served.

CELEBRATING HER BIRTHDAY

Grace, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Hall, celebrated her birthday Monday afternoon by inviting her little friends to a party. The little folks played games and enjoyed the delightful refreshments served. Many pretty presents were received by the little girl in honor of the day.

COMPLIMENT PROF. CHEATHAM.

Supt. R. B. Cheatham, has been re-elected. He has occupied his present position for five years and has been eminently satisfactory to the community.—Southern School News.

RE-ELECTED IN HARTSVILLE

Prof. L. W. Dick has been re-elected as Principal of the Hartsville schools. He has many friends in Abbeville who will be glad to hear of his election.